



Ward Notification

Tucson Fire Department

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Date: August 24, 2009

Ward 2 – Apartment Fire – 8000 Block of East El Toro Circle

August 23, 2009

Dispatch Time – 2207

On-Scene Time – 2212

Under Control - 2219

Someone called 911 after they noticed their 3-story apartment building filling with smoke. A fire started in a first-floor apartment, activating that smoke detector. Nobody was in that unit at the time. The flames burned through to a second floor apartment by the time firefighters arrived on scene, and most of the tenants were already out of their apartments. Firefighters quickly evacuated the people that were still inside. There were a total of 12 apartments and approximately 15 people displaced. Wrightstown Road was closed for approximately 3 hours. No injuries occurred.

Red Cross is assisting over a dozen people with food, clothing and shelter.

Damage Estimate - \$350,000

Cause – Accidental electrical

Origin – Electrical in wall between kitchen and hallway

Safety Message: Have a working smoke detector and an escape plan. Evacuate immediately and alert neighbors, especially in close living quarters such as an apartment, since smoke may not yet have entered adjoining apartments.